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SUBJECT: US AIRLIFT OF IRANIAN UNIFIL CONTINGENT
EQUIPMENT AND TROOPS

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1. AS WE UNDERSTAND IT, IRANIANS INFORMALLY REQUESTED
THAT USG AIRLIFT 60 DRIVERS ALONG WITH THE 58 OUTSIZED
VEHICLES, WE ORIGINALLY AGREED TO AIRLIFT. BEGIN FYI:
REQUEST REGARDING DRIVERS MAY HAVE BEEN PROMPTED BY UNNY

CHANGES IN INITIAL PLANNING. IRANIAN REQUEST TO USG
PASSED THROUGH MILITARY CHANNELS TO DEPARTMENT. END FYI.

2. IRANIAN REQUEST FOR AIRLIFT OF DRIVERS NECESSITATED
ISSUING NEW INSTRUCTIONS AUTHORIZING AIRLIFT OF DRIVERS;
HENCE PARA 3 REFTEL B.

3. IN ANY CASE, WE UNDERSTAND AIRLIFT OF IRANIAN TROOPS
AND EQUIPMENT IS PROCEEDING SMOOTHLY. FIRST MAC MISSION
FROM TEHRAN REPORTEDLY HAD TEN PASSENGERS ABOARD WHICH WE
ASSUMED WERE DRIVERS.

4. WE HAVE ALSO APPROVED GOI'S REQUEST FOR THE
ADDITIONAL AIRLIFT OF 20 WATER TRAILERS. NEVERTHELESS,
WE UNDERSTAND THAT NEITHER THE AIRLIFT OF THE DIRVERS
NOR ADDITIONAL VEHICLES WILL DELAY DEPLOYMENT OF IRANIAN
UNIFIL CONTINGENT. NOR WILL THE ADDITIONAL LOAD
REQUIREMENT REPRESENTED BY THE WATER TRAILERS INCREASE
THE NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT MISSIONS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE
THE AIRLIFT BY 10 JUNE.

5. ANY IRANIAN REQUEST TO AIRLIFT ADDITIONAL IRANIAN
EQUIPMENT OTHER THAN VEHICLES AND DRIVERS ALREADY
APPROVED SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR PRIOR
APPROVAL.

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